

REMARKS

Applicant, his principal representatives in Germany, and the undersigned have carefully reviewed the first Office Action of November 28, 2007 in the subject U.S. patent application. In response, the substitute specification, drawings and claims have been amended. It is believed that the claims now pending in the application are patentable over the prior art cited and relied on. Reexamination and reconsideration of the application, and allowance of the claims is respectfully requested.

In the Office Action, the Examiner objected to claim 15 because of an asserted informality. It was asserted that the word "pair" in line 4 of claim 15 should be "blade".

In response, claim 15 has been amended to change "pair" to "jaw". The term "blade" at line 2 of claim 15 has also been changed to "jaw". The tape guide, generally at 40, as will be discussed below, extends about the surface of the cylinder body 01 between the cylinder 04, which is a cutter cylinder, and the cylinder 14 which, as recited in the Substitute Specification, at paragraph 027, is a folding jaw cylinder. It is believed that this revision of claim 15 overcomes the Examiner's objection to the claim.

The drawings were objected to as failing to show every feature of the invention specified in the claims. It was asserted that the drawings do not show the tape recited in claims 15 and 27. That assertion is respectfully traversed. Fig. 9 of the drawings, as discussed in paragraphs 039 and 040 of the Substitute Specification, clearly depicts a tape guide that is arranged between the cutter cylinder and the folding jaw cylinder 14. Paragraphs 039 and 040 have been amended to provide consistent terminology. In addition, the tape guide has been indicated by the reference numeral 40. That reference numeral has been added to Fig. 9. Claims 15 and 27 have been amended to recite a tape guide. It is believed that these changes to the Substitute Specification, drawings and claims overcome the Examiner's objection to the drawings.

Claims 17-22 were indicated as being depicted upon a rejected base claim. They were indicated as being allowable, if rewritten in independent form and including all of the limitations of the base claim, and of any intervening claims.

In response, the language of indicated allowable claim 17 has been incorporated into independent claim 13, from which it depended. It is thus believed that amended claim 13 is allowable. Claim 17 has been cancelled. All of the claims remaining in the application now depend, either directly or indirectly from believed allowable independent claim 13 and are also believed to be allowable.

The prior art cited and relied on in the rejection of claims 13-16 and 23-27 has been noted. Since all of the claims now pending in the application are believed to be allowable, no discussion of that prior art is believed to be necessary.

SUMMARY

The substitute specification and drawings have been amended to overcome an objection to the drawings. These changes do not constitute any new matter. Indicated allowable claim 17 has been presented in independent form by being combined with base claim 13. All of the rest of the claims depend from believed allowable, currently amended claim 13. Allowance of the claims, and passage of the application to issue is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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IN THE DRAWINGS

Please cancel sheet 9 of the formal patent drawings filed with the subject U.S. patent application, and consisting of Fig. 9. Please replace that cancelled sheet with replacement sheet 9, also consisting of Fig. 9.